

11-2 Arithmetic Series

Series is the sum of a sequence

8, 12, 16, 20, 24, sequence

$8 + 12 + 16 + 20 + 24$ series

$$S_1 = 8$$

$$S_2 = 8 + 12 = 20$$

$$S_3 = 36$$

$$S_4 = 56$$

$$S_5 = 80$$

In general, $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots, a_n$

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + \dots + a_n$$

Σ sigma summation sign

$$8 + 12 + 16 + 20 + 24$$

Find a_n .

$$a_n = 8 + (n-1)4$$

$$a_n = 4n + 4$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^5 (4n + 4)$$

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"the sum of $4n + 4$ as n goes from 1 to 5"

$$\text{Expanded form} = 8 + 12 + 16 + 20 + 24$$

$$\sum_{n=3}^7 (2n - 3)$$

Put in Expanded form.

$$= 3 + 5 + 7 + 9 + 11$$

Put the following series into sigma notation:

$$3 + 6 + 9 + \dots + 36$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= a_1 + (n-1)d \\ &= 3 + (n-1)3 \\ &= 3n \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{12} (3n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 36 &= 3n \\ 12 &= n \end{aligned}$$

Challenge:

Find the sum of the integers from 1 to 100

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 100 &= 101 \\ 2 + 99 &= 101 \\ 3 + 98 &= 101 \end{aligned}$$

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$$50 + 51 = 101$$

$$S = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n)$$

$$5050$$

Friedrich Gauss

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= \\ a_{100} &= \end{aligned}$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n)$$

Ex:

Find the sum of the given sequence:

5, 10, 15, 20

$$\begin{aligned} S_4 &= \frac{4}{2}(5 + 20) \\ &= 50 \end{aligned}$$

Ex:

Find the sum of the given sequence:

3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18

$$\begin{aligned} S_6 &= \frac{6}{2}(3 + 18) \\ &= 63 \end{aligned}$$

Ex:

Find the sum of the first 50 terms of the given sequence:
3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18

$$S_{50} = \frac{50}{2}(3 + a_{50})$$

$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}[2a_1 + (n-1)d]$$

$$\frac{50}{2}[2(3) + 49 \cdot 3]$$

$$= 3825$$

When you don't have the last term, either find it or use this formula.

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

$$(a_1 + a_n)$$

$$a_1 + a_1 + (n-1)d$$

Ex:

$$a_n = -14$$

$$n = 9$$

$$d = -8$$

$$S_9 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$

$$-14 = a_1 + (9-1)(-8)$$

$$50 = a_1$$

$$S_9 = \frac{9}{2}(50 + -14)$$

$$= 162$$

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